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TO: All Licensed Prehospital Services

FROM: Dolly Fernandes, Prevention, Policy and Trauma Fund Manager
Tami Schweppe, Trauma Care Fund Prehospital Needs Grant Coordinator

SUBJECT: PREHOSPITAL NEEDS GRANT

We are pleased to announce the release of the Trauma Care Fund Prehospital Needs Grant Application for the 2003-2005 Biennium. This is the fourth Needs Grant available to prehospital providers since the passage of the Trauma Care Service Funding Act of 1997. There is \$300,000 available for prehospital needs grants for this biennium.

As a trauma verified service, or a licensed service needing assistance to become verified, you are eligible for this grant. The purpose of this grant is to help prehospital services offset unreimbursed costs for EMS and trauma care.

Attached is the Trauma Care Fund Prehospital Needs Grant Application you must complete to apply for these funds. The most important consideration of your grant request is that it must address a true need or hardship of your agency. Please be sure to comply with the timelines on page three of the application. **All applications must be submitted to your Regional EMS and Trauma Care Council by November 30, 2003.**

If you have any questions, please call Tami Schweppe at 1-800-458-5281, extension 7 or (360) 236-2859.

Attachments: Trauma Care Fund Prehospital Needs Grant Application
Prehospital Needs Grant Workshop Flyer
Regional EMS and Trauma Care Council Contacts